

Mr. Jenifer presented a petition of Jane White, of the city of Baltimore, praying the passage of an act providing a redress of the grievance therein set forth, and a compensation for the destruction of her house situated in South Charles-Street, in said city, on the 27th and 28th days of July, 1812, in the lawless conflict of two armed parties;— which petition was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Jenifer, Hunt, and Brawner.

Mr. Boyer, chairman of the Committee on Claims, delivered the following report:

The Committee on Claims, to whom were referred the petition of Jacob Lease, of Frederick county, praying payment for lumber sold to David H. Bingham, and used for the repairing of the barracks, near Fredericktown, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report—that it appears to your Committee, the claim of said Jacob Lease is fair and equitable and should be paid, he having sold said lumber to D. H. Bingham, for, and on account of the State.

Your Committee further report, that, by a resolution, No. 10, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-six the sum of three hundred dollars was directed to be paid to D. H. Bingham, for the purpose of repairing the barracks; and he required to pay to the treasurer of the Western shore, annually, the sum of twenty dollars, no part of which has ever been paid; it also appears that said D. H. Bingham expended, over and above the appropriation of resolution No. 10, the additional sum of six hundred and seventy-three dollars and twenty-one cents, in repairing of the said barracks, and for which he was reimbursed by resolution No. 79, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven: provided, that the said D. H. Bingham, before receiving from the treasurer of the Western Shore the sum thereby appropriated, should give bond to the state of Maryland, with sufficient surety, to be approved by the treasurer, for the payment of one hundred dollars, in addition to the sum of twenty dollars, required of him by the before recited resolution, No. 10, annually, for the term of six years. as a rent for the said premises.

Your committee further report, that the said D. H. Bingham did file his bond as required, but has totally failed to comply with the conditions thereof: and that he has left the barracks and the state, without paying Jacob Lease for the lumber, which now encloses the State's property.